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Christmas Fun in Gooderham

You can tell by their smiles that Amanda Steel and Melissa Brindle-Smith enjoyed taking part in the Gooderham school Christmas Concert last Tuesday night. The youngsters played to a packed house at the Glamorgan Community Centre. MORE PICTURES ON PAGE 18

Sewer line gets go-ahead as MOE rejects request for new study

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The municipality of Dysart et al has been given clearance by the province to go ahead as planned with the sewer line along the north shore of Lake Kashagawigamog.

Ontario's Environment Minister turned down last week a Haliburton motel owner's request to "bump up" the project to an individual environmental study.

In August, Lakeview Motel owners John and Ennis Felts asked the province to review the user-pay method of financing the municipality has proposed to cover its 25 per cent share of the line's \$5.4-million cost. (The province is to pay the remainder of the bill.)

While the couple believes the lake should be cleaned up, they feel everyone who benefits from its water quality being improved should help cover the costs.

The Ministry was supposed to rule on the bump-up request by the end of October, but extended the deadline twice before finally making a decision on Dec. 15.

In a letter Mr. and Mrs. Felts received last Monday, Environment Minister Brenda Elliott says she has concluded the couple's financing concerns would not be addressed by an individual environmental assessment.

"I feel the issue of financing is a local concern which is best addressed by municipal council," she wrote.

Mr. Felts, who has said his business would have difficulty affording the estimated \$40,000 it would cost to hook up to the line, said he was disappointed

by the minister's decision.

Though the Mr. and Mrs. Felts were the only residents to formally request the sewer line project be reviewed, a number of other nearby property owners wrote to the Ministry to object to it.

Dysart reeve Murray Fearrey said he had little doubt the Ministry would give the sewer line extension the go ahead.

The municipality will tender the project, originally scheduled for a fall start, in the new year and hopes to begin construction as soon as the ground thaws in the spring.

Individual property owners will be charged between \$3,500 and \$3,800 to pay for the line's installation.

On top of that, they will have to pay a hook-up charge estimated by the municipality to be between \$1,500 and \$2,000 to connect their homes and cottages to the line. Some will need to pay for pumps to move the waste to the sewer line.

Resorts, lodges and other businesses will be assessed for the sewage output they contribute to the system and assigned an equivalent number of residential units (ERUs). The number of ERUs is then multiplied by the base hook-up charge to find the total fee.

The municipality plans to offer property owners the opportunity to finance the cost of hooking up to the line over periods of 10, 15 and 20 years at an interest rate of about 10 per cent.

Reeve Fearrey has said the municipality will eventually extend a similar sewer line along the south shore of Lake Kashagawigamog.

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Don't feed deer, MNR advises

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

With the early and abundant arrival of snow, many people are concerned about the ability of deer to find food and shelter.

And while the Ministry of Natural Resources is stockpiling food in case the situation worsens, it says feeding the deer now will only make the people feel better and have no real benefit for the deer.

Nature has given deer a few ways of coping with the hardships of winter, and humans

might be undoing some of them if they feed the deer too early in the season.

One of those ways is a lowering of their metabolism, which makes their bodies use up their stores of fat at a slower rate. If people feed them a high energy food such as corn, "it keeps their metabolism high so they burn fat stores faster," says MNR biologist Dana Kinsman.

Other potential dangers include drawing deer out of their natural cover and onto roadways and snowmobile trails, where they could get hit,

as well as building a dependency on an artificial food source. What if people feed the deer one year and go to Florida the next? The deer can't follow them south but they will expect the food to keep miraculously appearing.

"Feeding deer is like feeding birds," says the MNR's Peter Hynard. "People put out feeders for people reasons - they like to watch the birds. Feeding deer makes us feel good."

Instead of feeding the deer, MNR crews are creating trails

See DEER page 2

Come out and skate this Thursday afternoon for a good cause

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

Here's our smile of the week from Paul Charron. A teacher on the phone said "You say Tommy has a cold and can't come to school? To whom am I speaking?" The voice on the other end of the line replied "This is my father."

Thanks this week to Jean Perkins and Darlene Johnson for their much appreciated goodies. There isn't a crumb left for the mice.

People looking for something to do as a family over the Christmas holiday might want to keep the afternoon of December 28 free. That's when the Echo staff will don their skates and join in the fun and relaxation of the 2nd annual Creighton Feir Skateathon at the Dysart arena. There's no admission charge but donations to the Haliburton County Hospital Fund will be welcomed. The Echo is providing

free hot chocolate and cookies for everyone who takes part, and the Municipality of Dysart has kindly waived the ice rental fee for this special afternoon of public skating. See you there between 2 and 4 p.m.

The Toronto International Boat Show returns January 13 through 21 at the Coliseum and Automotive Buildings, Exhibition Place, Toronto. Some special events include Seniors' Funday Monday with savings and bingo; Yacht Club Dollar Day for yacht club and Power Squadron members on January 16; Women on the Water day January 17; Thrifty Thursday on the 18th; and Fisherman's Friday, including a presentation by Real Fishing's Bob Izumi on the 19th. There will also be some artifacts from the Titanic. For more information call 416-591-6772.



A look that's hard to resist

Deer cope naturally

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in the deer's traditional wintering areas.

Although the word "yard" is a bit of a misnomer, the MNR is improving conditions at deer yards throughout the area. A yard is simply a place where deer like to congregate. For instance, the Anson Yard is a vast area which deer frequent because of the hemlock stands. The hemlock branches capture the snow, making it easier for deer to travel. Branches also intercept freezing rain, which creates a crust the deer find difficult to break through.

The woody browse in yards isn't very nutritious, but deer are accustomed to it.

And thirdly, by congregating in yards, deer create a network of trails which make it much easier for fawns and bucks to travel. (Oddly enough, bucks are also at risk in winter. "They don't watch their diet carefully during rutting season" because their minds are on other things, Hynard says.)

On their natural diet, deer will lose weight in the winter. Some will also die. "Nature isn't Walt Disney," Kinsman says. "It isn't kind the way things happen."

That doesn't mean the MNR will stand by and watch the deer die. Instead of feeding the deer, the MNR in partnerships with such groups as the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association is helping break in new trails to make it easier for the deer to travel. Because the snow depth is creating potential hardships for deer, it is also setting aside money for feed, "but feeding is not warranted at this moment."

The MNR is helping the deer in two other ways. One is by protecting their habitat so they have a safe and appropriate place to spend the winter. Another is by placing controls during deer hunt seasons. The best way to help a herd's population bounce back is to ensure does survive the hunting season, Hynard says. Not only are does feeding fawns, but they are also the ones who will give birth in the spring, regenerating the herd's size.

But not everyone can be as objective about deer. If people would like to feed the deer, the Minden office of the MNR can provide information and advice.

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A LOVING GOODBYE TO A SPECIAL TEACHER:

Australian exchange teacher Tracey Smith said goodbye to the students of Grade 3 at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School last Wednesday as she prepared to return to her home in Wagga Wagga after a year here. Below, Hilary Wilson presents Mrs. Smith with a gift on behalf of the class. Middle right, the students gather round to watch her open the gift, which she holds up for parents to see, lower right. The students also sang special Australian Christmas songs she had taught them.



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Insurance switch saves \$13,000

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Haliburton County Board of Education.

Trustees voted to save close to \$13,000 next year by switching from the board's current insurer to an insurance co-operative representing the majority of Ontario's school boards.

And while it seems like a clear-cut decision for savings, a number of board members didn't support it, arguing the co-operative may be simply offering them a low price to reel them into a six-year contract.

The board's present insurer, Frank Cowan Insurance, represented locally through Dawson Insurance, had given the board an insurance estimate of about \$43,000 for the coming year.

The only other major player in the school board insurance market, the Ontario School Board Exchange, offered to do the same for about \$30,000.

However, with OSBIE, school boards are required to sign on as clients in five-year blocks.

The only way the co-op would take on Haliburton was if the board would commit for the remaining year of the current five-year block, plus the following five years.

With Frank Cowan, the board renegotiates its policy annually.

Despite the huge savings offered next year by OSBIE, some trustees worried the board could see its rates jump drastically during the five years.

Because OSBIE is a co-operative, the rates it offers are dictated by the claims of its members.

But other trustees argued a \$13,000 savings in one year is

too great to be ignored.

"That's an important amount of money," said Dysart et al trustee Chip Trueman. "If there are 161 school boards in the province and 141 of them belong to OSBIE, then it can't be all that bad."

"This is an opportunity to show the taxpayers that we're being fiscally responsible," said Sherborne et al trustee Barry Martin.

In a recorded vote, trustees voted 8-5 to overturn a recommendation of the board's management committee to sign on with Frank Cowan. A majority then voted in favour of insuring with OSBIE from 1996 to 2001.

The board wrestled with the same decision last year before choosing to go with Frank Cowan, even though it could have saved \$15,000 by

BOARD OF EDUCATION BRIEFS

switching to OSBIE.

Recycling

Trustees plan to set a policy in the new year which they hope will lead to improved recycling practices throughout the board's schools.

A recent waste management audit carried out by high school students found a number of areas where the board could do more to reduce the amount of waste going to local landfills.

As well, a class of Grade 4 students from Archie Stouffer Elementary School that has been studying recycling gave trustees a list of pointers on how recycling in the classroom could be improved during a recent presentation.

Sherborne trustee Trevor Pawson recommended the board clean up its act and draft a board-wide policy to reduce,

reuse and recycle waste.

He said he has received numerous calls from parents trying to teach their children the benefits of recycling at home who are frustrated by the lack of recycling carried out in the county's schools.

Prior to putting together a policy, the board will have to survey schools to find out exactly what kind of recycling opportunities they already offer, said superintendent of business administration Jim Bradley.

"I feel there may be the impression that there's no recycling going on ... There is some recycling going on," he said.

While trustees agreed to formulate a recycling policy, it will be placed on the back burner until after they have had time to tackle more immediate issues, such as the upcoming budget, how to cope with grant cuts and the province's upcoming decision school board amalgamations.

Trustees elect Ladurantaye to head board

Haliburton school board trustees have voted to keep chairwoman Wendy Ladurantaye in her seat at the head of the board table for what promises to be a difficult year ahead.

The Anson, Hindon and Minden trustee was called on six months ago to move up from her position as vice-chair and fill the vacancy left when former chairman John Munro moved.

In a secret ballot Tuesday night, trustees voted in favour of Ladurantaye over AHM trustee Wally Bunn, who was also nominated for the position.

Dysart trustee Len Salvatori, who moved into the Ladurantaye's seat as vice-chair when she became chairwoman, was elected to continue on in the position for the coming year.

Traditionally, the vice-chair is elected to the head of the table after one full term, but Salvatori forewarned trustees he has no interest in chairing the board in 1997 unless he's retired by then.

Ladurantaye said she has done a lot of "soul searching" over the past couple of months, considering many of the diffi-

cult issues facing the board, such as amalgamation and funding cuts.

Over the coming year as the board deals with these and other important issues it is critical that trustees open up better lines of communication between themselves, as well as the schools, staff and community.

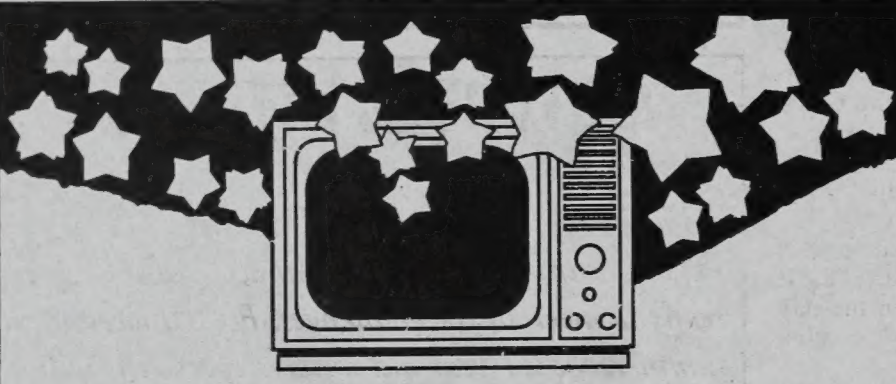
She recommended the board invite county councillor, who are also faced with the prospect of re-thinking the way they do business, to future meetings.

"I think we share common interests and we should be working on them together," she said.

Over the past few weeks Ladurantaye said she has visited a number of classrooms in different schools and was very proud of the how "keen and eager and open" she found both students and staff.

Despite the fact they will have different opinions of issues, it is important trustees strive to "get along," said Salvatori.

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Haliburton student ready to take on international challenge

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

LARISSA GRAY may be immersed in the world of international politics during her studies at the University of Toronto, but it took an article in her home town paper to launch her on a journey to South America.

Next May, the 21-year-old Highlander will be travelling to Guyana as part of the Youth Challenge International program. She read about the opportunity in The Echo a few months ago and though she hesitated about applying, she's now thrilled about the adventure that lies ahead.

Larissa is in her third year of International Relations at U of T. The course combines political science, history and economics — three studies she'll see put into action through the international development projects. Young people from around the world help with such things as scientific research and healthcare and education enhancement. Instead of just studying about these issues, she's going to see for herself what works and what doesn't. By the end of the 10 weeks, she hopes she'll have a better understanding of some of the underlying problems and solutions — and what she might

want to do when she graduates.

Her initial hesitation has been eased after talking to several former participants, including Colleen Good, whose grandparents live in Haliburton. Colleen said the experience changed her life and she's so committed to the principles of the program that she was one of the group leaders when Larissa took part in a gruelling selection weekend.

The weekend was a bit like Outward Bound in two feet of snow. It was the end of November and the list of things to bring included bug spray and suntan oil — but not winter boots and mitts. Perhaps Larissa was seasoned for the exhausting two days because of last summer's job of planting trees, a job few people describe with fondness. (When Larissa was considering whether to spend next summer planting trees, her mother, Julie, threatened to read back all the woe-filled letters Larissa had written last summer.)

Larissa spent the whole weekend outside, determined not to be cowed by either the cold or being blindfolded for much of the time.

"They were promoting group work," she explains. "It was a lot about communication."

Although she didn't always realize it at the time, she enjoyed the challenge. "For the whole

weekend I was going 'grrrr' but I went home and had a big sleep and the next day I had a good feeling about it. In retrospect, I had a really good time..."

"I really like working in groups and seeing how we can work together and accomplish things you can't do by yourself. And I love being with people."

Larissa was successful in being chosen for the program and now faces her second challenge — raising \$3,750 from service clubs, friends and family and fundraising events. One idea she's toying around with is a rollerblade-a-thon in Toronto, or perhaps a dinner with a speaker. At first daunted by the task, she's now looking forward to proving to herself that she can do it.

The third challenge will be her 10 weeks in Guyana and the fourth is returning to the community in mid-July and doing the required 100 hours of community service work.

"I'm really looking forward to it," she said during the Christmas break at home with her parents, David and Julie. "It will be exciting when the day comes and everything's coming together."

If you would like to help Larissa in her challenge, you can write her at Box 506, Haliburton, K0M 1S0.



A STUDY IN EXTREMES

From the cold weather of a Highlands Christmas to the hot summer days of Guyana, Larissa Gray is ready to meet all the challenges. For 10 weeks next summer, the 21-year-old university student will be taking part in Youth Challenge International projects in the South American country



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Dysart looks to Hodgson for help with sewer line shortfall

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Dysart council is hoping Haliburton-Victoria MPP Chris Hodgson will help bail them out of a potentially expensive sewer plant problem.

Last month the provincial agency overseeing the municipality's nearly \$4-million sewer treatment plant expansion dropped a bombshell on councillors, telling them Dysart may be left on the hook for the \$136,000 cost of an amendment to the original expansion plan.

Jason Fani of the Ontario Clean Water Agency told councillors the municipality had not applied for additional funding on the 1993 amendment, which is not included in the \$3.81-million price-tag the province had agreed to subsidize at 80 per cent.

The announcement came as a shock to Dysart reeve Murray Fearrey and clerk-treasurer Donna McCallum, who were under the impression the engineering firm carrying out the expansion, Conestoga-Rovers and Associates, was supposed to have applied to OCWA for funding on the municipality's behalf.

But CRA says the news should have been no surprise, considering it explained in a March 1994 letter the \$136,000 amendment was additional to the plan already approved by the province.

In the letter, project engineer Craig Hebert recommends that the municipality apply to OCWA to either have the cost of the amendment added to the Direct Grant Project, which funded the original expansion plan begun in 1989, or added to the overall bill under the province's

jobsOntario funding program.

Despite the letter, Reeve Fearrey said the municipality did not apply to OCWA for additional funding on the plan amendment, believing that was CRA's responsibility.

"It wasn't done and everybody can point the finger and say who's fault that is, but the fact is it's being done now and it's a legitimate expense so it should be covered," he said Monday.

Fearrey said he and other councillors met with MPP Hodgson on Dec. 25 to seek his assistance in getting the funding request approved by the province.

He said Hodgson agreed the municipality had good reason to apply for additional funding.

"It looks like it's going to be covered," said Fearrey.

John Carter, who is overseeing the treatment plant expansion for OCWA, said the agency is doing what it can to secure funding for Dysart.

"We, as project managers on behalf of the town, are trying to represent their best interest," he said.

While OCWA administers the Municipal Assistance Program, which is funding the expansion, it does not have power to approve or deny grant requests, Carter explained.

Hebert of CRA said the outstanding \$136,000 charge should not be seen as an over-run on the original budget \$3.81-million since it was not included in the budget.

"OCWA is still saying it's an over-run, but it's not an over-run ... The budget wasn't set up properly," he said.

Province helps fund new computers in primary grades

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

A pilot project that placed computers in the county's Grade 3 classrooms last year has just received a huge endorsement from the province.

And a substantial cheque.

Just in time for Christmas, the Ministry of Education has given Haliburton's school board word it and IBM will help the board put more than half a million dollars worth of computer equipment into Grade 1 and 2 classrooms over the next year.

The board applied for the funding last spring, but was beginning to doubt it would come through, considering the Tories' mission to chop spending.

"We were keeping our fingers crossed," said superintendent of education Dale Robinson. "I'm really surprised in a way that it was approved given the cuts that have taken place in other areas. This seems to be a real windfall in times of cutbacks."

Robinson said the grant may be "concrete evidence" of Education Minister John Snobelen's promises to invest in classroom technology.

Haliburton and six neighbouring boards have joined together to serve as a provincial pilot project utilizing educational software and computers provided by IBM as part of the regular classroom curriculum in elementary classes.

Last year the Haliburton board spearheaded the project by bringing the computers into its Grade 3 classes across the system.

The board's long-term goal is to bring the computer work stations into all classrooms from Grade 1 to Grade 6.

Now that the Ministry has approved funding for the coming

year, as part of a five-year program, achieving that goal may not be too far off.

"We're going to go sooner rather than later with this because of the favourable ratio of the grant being offered by the province," said Robinson.

The Ministry has agreed to give the board \$273,912, while IBM will chip in \$145,440. Haliburton's board will be required to pay a share of \$137,360, rounding out a total expenditure of \$556,712.

The money will be spent to outfit the county's Grade 1 and 2 classrooms with computer hardware and software to be used by students to study math, language and science.

As a model for the rest of the province, Haliburton will be in good position to receive funding over the next four years the Ministry has said it will operate the computer grant program, said director of education Brad Saunders.

That should allow the board to bring computers to the rest of the elementary grades, he said.

Saunders praised Robinson for the work he has put into lifting the Grade 3 computer project off the ground, as well as the teachers for making it so successful.

"I think Dale deserves a world of credit for spearheading this," he told trustees Tuesday night.

Robinson said board administrators would meet with IBM representatives shortly after the Christmas break to figure out how much equipment is needed and when it can be supplied.

A portion of the board's share of the overall cost will go towards staff training, said Robinson.

Grade 3 teachers currently using IBM's EduQuest software required 12 days of intensive training in order to become competent using the software.

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FOR THE BIRDS:

by MARGARET CARNEY

THE SNOWY STILLNESS of a Haliburton winter is broken by one thing: Haliburton birds. In leafless woods against snowy hills, flocks of winter finches and chickadees are a welcome sight, their calls and chips a cheerful sound in a muted world.

How many birds are overwintering in Haliburton, instead of fleeing south to warmer climes? On December 16, participants in the 29th annual Minden Christmas Count raced about the 15-mile count circle from daybreak to dusk to find out. The grand total: 3,314 birds, representing 42 species.

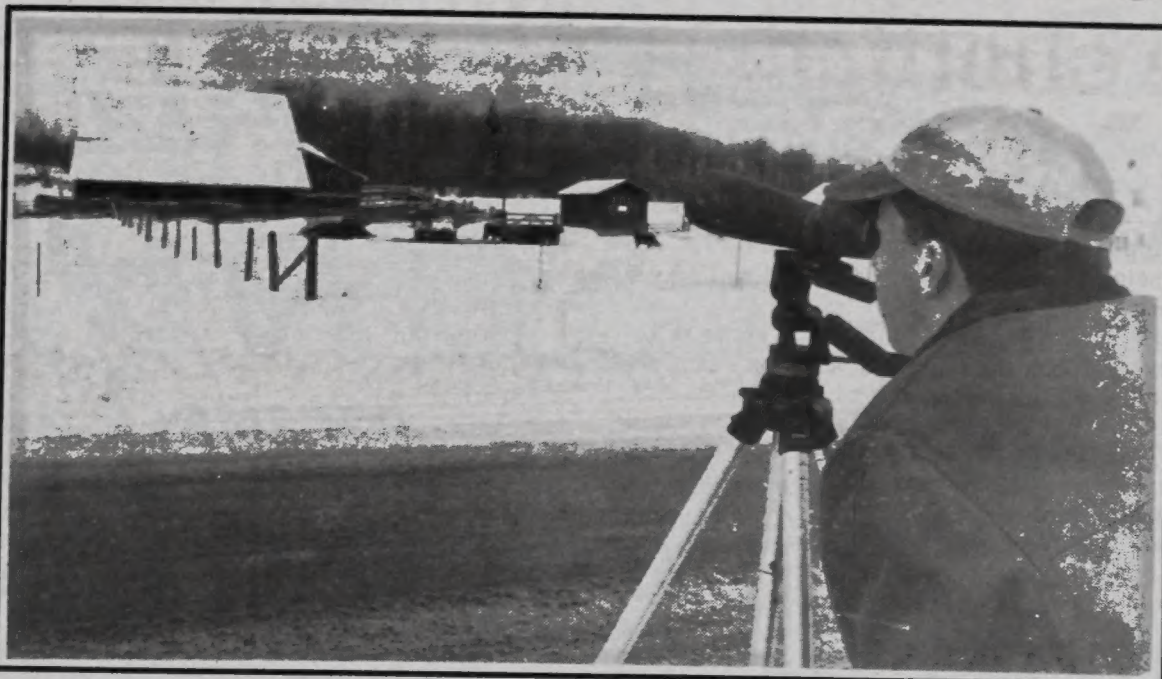
"That's one species shy of our all-time record of 43, set in 1989," says count compiler Dennis Barry. "Given the heavy snow cover and the fact that Gull Lake was frozen over, the high number is really surprising. Some years we have to work hard to get 40. If Ron Pittaway and his group had found the common grackle at Truman Wright's Minden feeder on Saturday instead of Sunday, we would have tied the record."

Growing up on a farm on Highway 121 south of Minden, Dennis has had a lifelong love of Haliburton wildlife, especially birds. Back in 1967, when the country had far fewer plowed roads and bird feeders, he and a friend did the very first count.

Every year since, helped by growing numbers of volunteers, he has tallied Haliburton's winter birds, sending results to the National Audubon Society in New York. Data from this and hundreds of similar counts across North America are published annually, presenting an important profile of what birds are where in winter and how populations are doing.

This December record snowfalls in Haliburton concentrated almost all the birds at feeders. Eighteen birders combed the county, regularly climbing out of warm cars to look and listen. Haliburton residents Ed Poropat, Tom Lambert and Jim Hopkins scoured one section of the count circle. But long-time veterans Anne Brander and Jim Wilson missed the '95 count. They were snowbound in their Kawagama Lake home, where even a hefty snowmobile couldn't make it out through the deep, soft drifts.

A useful trick birders often use in a northern woods is "pishing" - making



Looking at a Shrike on County Road 1 near Gelert is Gavin McElwain. This year's annual count observed 3,314 birds of 42 species

lispy "sh" sounds that mimic the alarm note of certain birds. "Do it long enough and you'll have chickadees coming out of the most barren woods to see what's going on," says Ron Tozer, a Dwight resident who's been on 25 Minden counts. Compiler for the Algonquin Park count, to be held on December 30, Ron took his son Doug along when he was ten. Doug, in first-year university, has been on every count since.

A big bonus for this year's tally were the 17 feeder watchers who phoned in lists of birds that showed up in their neighbourhood on count day. "It's amazing how many new houses have gone up all over Haliburton County, and how many people enjoy feeding birds," reports Dennis, who dropped fliers in many residents' mailboxes before count day, asking for help. Among those who responded were the Bolts, who had huge flocks of beautiful pink pine grosbeaks decorating the trees around their home. One of the rarer winter finches to visit the area, pine grosbeaks don't often visit feeders, but they loved dropping in to the Bolts', who keep 11 feeders going. "Sometimes we have blue jays, yellow evening grosbeaks and the red pine grosbeaks all in the same tree," said Mr. Bolt.

Highlights of this year's count include a record 321 pine grosbeaks, as well as 2005 black-capped chickadees, 107 hairy woodpeckers, 12 gray jays and 6 cardinals.

"Open water is a must for winter

Annual Minden count identifies 42 species, including nine waterfowl

explains Dennis. The count circle is carefully positioned to include the open water along the Gull River system from Kinmount to Ingoldsby, in case a rare duck or loon may be lingering. Among this year's list of nine types of waterfowl was a brand-new species, a gadwall, swimming along the edge of the ice on Gull Lake. A common loon was at the mouth of the river.

If it's not snowing too heavily, Dennis and I like to canoe the Gull River, almost always open because of the swift current. This year we flushed an elegant pintail drake as well as the usual blacks, mallards, goldeneye and mergansers.

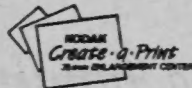
The traditional tally supper ending the day includes several kinds of pie made by Dennis's mother, Pearl Barry, a lifetime resident of Haliburton County.

It's not too early to circle Saturday, December 14, in your 1996 calendar if you'd like to take part in next year's count. It will be the 30th annual, and everyone is welcome.

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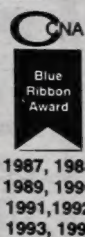
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Editorial

Christmas is more than just nostalgia

Christmas brings with it many joys – some artificial, and some which spring spontaneously from the spirit of the season. It's a time for families and yet, unlike Thanksgiving it's also a time for the community. In thanks for all the nice things which have happened over the past year, we give gifts to family, friends and neighbours. We dress up our homes and rival the stars with our strings of Christmas lights. On the streets, when people pass each other they also pass on best wishes for Christmas and expectations for future happiness. We try to be extra nice to one another and hope the joy will last just a little bit longer.

Granted, there is stress as we scurry to get everything done. For some unknown reason, we try to cram in the majority of our social outings for the year in the space of just a few already hectic weeks. Pressures mount as we forget to give ourselves the gift of time. With so much build-up, disappointment can easily creep in. There is also great sadness for those who have to spend their first Christmas without a loved one, or without family nearby. To these people, everyone else's happiness can make their sadness even more acute.

But adding an extra sparkle to the festivities is the white blanket of snow. For us, Christmas just wouldn't be Christmas unless there's snow on the ground so kids can try out their new sleighs and skis and adults can have the excuse to stay warm and relaxed indoors. There's nothing like a little cold weather to warm up the festivities.

It's also gratifying to know that no one will have to do without a Christmas meal. Once again, the response to the food drive by the 4Cs in Haliburton and the Christian Sunday School Mission in Minden has been enthusiastic and plentiful. Although there are more families in need this year, and more people are trying to live within straightened budgets, there never seems to be a problem filling the baskets.

With such an overflow of donations, the 4Cs is able to stockpile food and money for grocery vouchers for what it knows are two tough times ahead: January, when people are confronted with their bills from Christmas; and March, when Ontario Hydro asks to be paid for all that winter heat. Traditionally, the 4Cs receives more requests for donations at these times and does not have to turn deserving people away.

And now, as people enjoy Christmas dinner with their families and friends, it is a good time to say thank you to everyone who has contributed to the 4Cs, as well as all the volunteers who have worked so tirelessly preparing the hampers. You're all a testament to the strengths of this county.

An oldie but a goodie

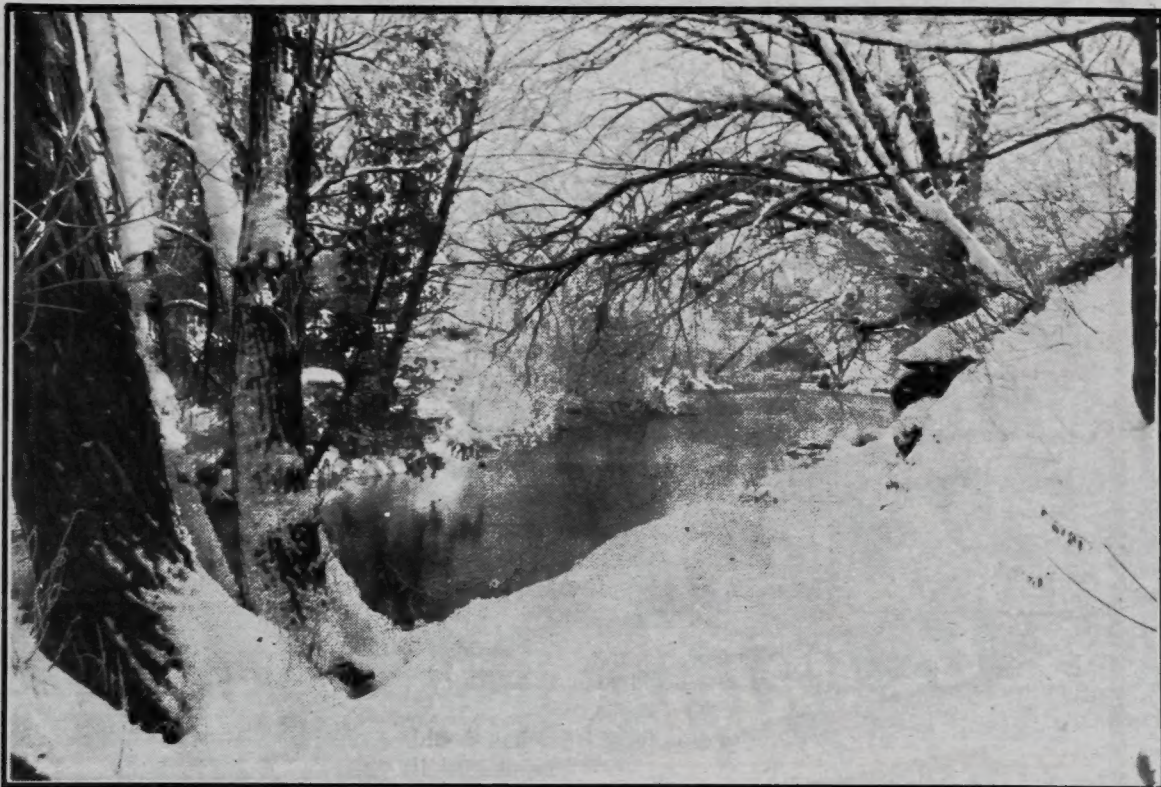
How does one compete with all those Christmas cards in wishing everyone glad tidings for the season?

The Echo would like to extend best wishes to all of its readers and advertisers, as well as the hundreds of people who have agreed to share their lives and events in our pages over the past year. If you've enjoyed reading the paper, it's because there are so many fascinating people with stories to share. All we do is shine a mirror on the community, catching its reflection in good times and in bad.

We all hope the next year will be filled with good news only. (It's healthy to be optimistic at least once a year.) If bad things do happen, it's reassuring to know this is the type of county where people will do what they can to help.

So it's been said before but we'll say it again: Merry Christmas to all, and to all, a good year.

M.P.



Winter in the Highlands

by Len Pizze

Letters to the Editor

Chase of thief appreciated

To the Editor:

I always believed that it was us cottagers who were hit the hardest, as we are only Haliburton residents for part of the year. I'm sure I speak for the majority of the cottagers when I say, "We have been here before. We have been hit."

I am writing in response to the article entitled, "Stolen snowmobile tracked down by deter-

mined dealership owner" - November 28, 1995.

Every spring and every fall I have the opportunity to deal with Paul Prentice and all the staff at Prentice-Berry or should I say they have to deal with me! During the past four years I have stored my boat at Prentice-Berry. All my questions, concerns and anxieties have been handled in a very delicate manner by all the staff members.

I admire Paul's initiative and determination to put justice within its place. It is a comfort to know that my boat is in such good hands and that every security precaution is being taken in order to prevent further break-ins and thefts. I know I'll be sleeping a lot better at night now.

Kimberly Adair/Scerri,
Toronto and Koshlong Lake

Keep the Christ in Christmas

To the Editor:

With two headlines in the Dec. 18 Echo, there was reference to "Xmas" which renders the accepted day of our Lord's birth to an unknown mass. To prefix or substitute with an X on any name fails to show due respect as well as ignorance. Could this "leaving Christ out of Christmas" account for so many people feeling the heart has gone out of it??

You and your staff are to be

congratulated on your excellent weekly paper. It seems to just get better and better each week!

Health, peace and prosperity to all,

Dorothjean Connors
RR 2 Haliburton

Editor's note: The Echo means no disrespect when it occasionally uses the word Xmas. The use of X to represent the word Christ in Christmas is not a modern invention or com-

mercial shorthand. X in our alphabet comes from the the Greek letter chi (kei), the first letter of XPITOC, Khristos or Christos, which means 'annointed'. The word Khristos is itself a translation of the ancient Hebrew word for Messiah. The letter X has been used to represent 'Christos' since ancient times. It is interesting to note that Christopher Columbus followed this historical tradition, signing his name to documents as 'Xoferens'.

A flying memory

To the Editor:

I noted with interest your Pic of the Past two weeks ago with the Seabee that came to Haliburton in 1946. I guess most of your people are too young to know about it but later we had an air service run by Ron Tyler and partner which used Seabees. I had the "honour" of taking the first ride with Ron when he came to Gooderham and took us up for a flight for \$10. Or was it \$5?

Earl Johnston,
Gooderham

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas is a time for families, and to allow Echo staff time to enjoy being with theirs, the next edition of the newspaper will appear next year! Look for us in your mailboxes and in the stores on January 3, 1996. Until then, we wish everyone a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Greener fields at Christmas

YOU'RE SO LUCKY to live in the country," Melissa told her brother George. The two of them were sitting in a Toronto restaurant, waiting for their East Indian dinner. George had just been thinking the same of Melissa and the city and told her so. "But George," came her reply. "Look at all you have in Haliburton. A picture-perfect winter landscape; cosy fireplace to hang your stocking; a quiet, slower pace to really sit back and enjoy the holidays."

"Hah!" said George. "Melissa, what I have is roofs to shovel from too much snow; wood to haul for that fireplace, and everyone wanting their driveway ploughed yesterday. You're the lucky one."

Melissa was incredulous. Not only was she unfamiliar with this George, the complainer, but she failed to see how Christmas in the city could possibly compare to that in the country. So she pushed him for details.

"Well, you have great places to eat," George began, diving his fork into a newly arrived rice dish. "I'll bet I could get some fantastic holiday food in all these interesting stores and have a great time looking at the windows in the process. Remember when we were kids and used to visit Toyland, and drive around looking at Christmas lights and watch the Santa scenes in Eaton's windows?" George's eyes took on a misty, nostalgic appearance as he gazed off at some invisible Santa checking a long, white list of names.

"But you have snow covered Christmas trees growing outside your door," protested Melissa.

"And you have magical decorations and incredible food," retorted George. At this point they called a truce, concentrating on their meal.

Outside on the sidewalk, George asked if they could walk to her place instead of taking a cab. Melissa agreed. As they walked, George pointed out window displays, some richly decorative, others light-hearted and fun. She had walked this way many times over the last

few weeks but had never noticed the store windows. Now she saw them through George's eyes and they were beautiful.

When they reached her apartment, she made them both large mugs of mulled cider. They sat comfortably sipping in her small living room, with the ease that only close family have with each other. "Yes, you sure are lucky to be spending Christmas here, Melissa," George continued. "I only wish I had a choice, but with driveways and roofs, I'm stuck in the country."

"Actually, George, I was thinking of coming north for the holidays. I have some time

DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch



coming and want to get out of the city. Can you put me up?"

George's manner changed immediately. "Hey that would be terrific, sis," he said. "I'll buy the turkey if you cook it. I wasn't going to bother with a tree but with you coming, I can find one near my door that would do just fine. When were you thinking of coming?"

The two of them spent the next half hour planning their Christmas together. Melissa would bring a few exotic cookies and candies from stores in her neighbourhood, George would provide turkey and vegetables. Melissa would help carry firewood if George agreed they'd both hang up their stockings on the mantle. As they made their plans, they both felt younger, more optimistic. For the first time all year they had something to look forward to.

George was heading back home that night. The forecast was for more snow the next day and he had lots of work to do. As Melissa walked him to his pickup, she mentioned this was the first Christmas since their father had died. George turned quiet, then said that fact had been on his mind a fair bit. Melissa confided the same, then gave him a goodbye hug. "We're going to have a great Christmas, George," she told him as he got into his truck. "We'll have a little country and a little city together in one place, just like us."



Why is it that Santa's looks never change but ours do? This photo was taken in December 1956 and shows a young Deb Bishop (now Deb Deremo, who works at the Echo) on Santa's knee at Eaton's in Toronto. She now has similar pictures of her own four children and Santa looks just as old as he always has.

Pic of the Past

Start the cuts from the top

ISN'T THIS an amazing winter? It's beautiful, and hopefully much better for tourism (supposing they can get here). It should be healthier than last year as well. Mother Nature is certainly giving our Premier's cost cutting measures a snow job. I'm glad there's someone out there he has to listen to.

It's not that I don't agree with cutting the deficit. We've all been living way beyond our means for a long time. But I suspect Ontario citizens would have been far more impressed if Mike and his colleagues had started cutting costs at the top instead of the bottom. Within the confines of Queen's Park, for instance. Now we hear there's been another one of those money gobbling 'studies' done. And we've been told that Ontario's MPPs, who make around \$40,000 plus \$16,000 in perks, are underpaid. That the average annual income for MPPs in other provinces is around \$110,000 plus perks. Mr. Harris is saying he is going to cut those perks and early pensions. But he seems to be testing the waters to see if he can get away with raising those Queen's Park salaries, including his.

May we respectfully reply, "Wrong!"

The correct answer is to set an example by removing the perks

NORTHERN LIGHTS

Virginia Muenzel

and early pensions. Then hold the line on salaries, just like the rest of the population, and encourage other Premiers and MPPs across the country to do the same.

What's wrong with this picture? For years big business and governments have been preaching that our children must have college or university education in order to get a decent job. Now governments are jacking up the price of that education so high that only the rich can afford it. And big business applauds. They applaud until someone mentions raising their taxes. Then they threaten to leave town. They, in essence, blackmail us. I also want to know what is the sense of having universal free health care if there are no beds, emergency rooms are closed, and people are dying while they wait in line for heart surgery? How many government VIPs wait in line?

Now the federal government has restructured unemployment insurance. They now call it Employment Assurance. (Though they neglected to

reveal how much it is costing us to redo all the paperwork.) Then, last week they dropped the big bomb. Canada Pension must be changed! Well, I guess it must, because it's running out of money altogether. But when the newscast reported that one of the considerations is to up the retirement age to 67 years, I screamed, "How dare they!" Where do a bunch of ministers who, after six measly years in parliament are eligible to collect the world's most outrageous, lifetime pensions, get the colossal nerve to tell the rest of us that we have to labour on for two more years before we get ours? And they're going to try to lower ours to boot!

With all due respect, sirs and madams, the obvious solution to the flagging Canadian pension is quite simple. You revamp your pensions first. Let's say that parliamentarians' pensions drop down more in line with those of the common folk.

The next bonanza Mr. Martin can tap into is the Mighty Missing Senators. They must be elected. They must actually show up for work on a regular basis like the rest of us. No show, no pay, no perks, no pension.

So, my next question is, "Where the heck did the Tax Coalition disappear to?"

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carry much disgrace,
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your face.

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folks view this stuff,

Do we want them to grow
up rough?

It is possible anything to
block,

Should we not get busy and
take stock?

We live in a world we have
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Are we concerned enough to
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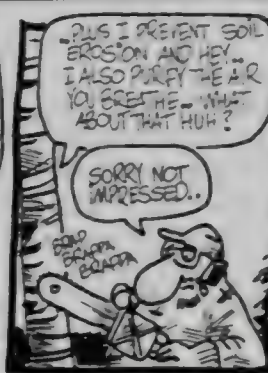
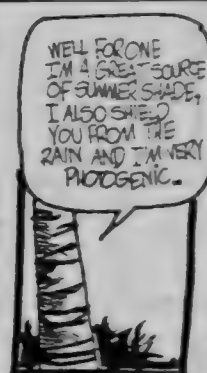
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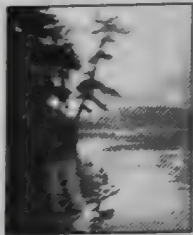
But they are useful, under
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James B. Cooper,
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Haliburton PeeWee Jamie Luck rushes towards Beaverton's net with some of Blades in hot pursuit. The Huskies' 5-0 win was just one of many recently, thanks to a fine team effort. Brian Mulholland was the goalie who earned the shutout.

Atom Cs do Haliburton proud

by JANICE CHAMBERS

The Atom C Huskies travelled to Bobcaygeon last weekend for their first tournament of the season. Our boys sure did look good. Playing hard was definitely on their minds. The Huskies faced a team from Bowmanville with 13 players on their bench compared to Haliburton's 8. The first period was action-packed. Bowmanville opened the scoring in the first, Haliburton coming back just minutes later with Kyle Boughner and Jason Chambers pairing up and Jason tying the game. Our defence playing was superb again with Adam Frybort, Corey Poole and André Nichol making many rushes trying to ease Alex Frybort's heavy job. The Huskies held their own until well into the third when Bowmanville scored. Haliburton tried hard to even the score but they ran out of time. The score was 2 - 1, with Haliburton finishing on the consolation side.

After lunch the boys faced a

Lindsay team. Things didn't look too good with Lindsay taking the scoring in the first and well into the second. Haliburton didn't come back until Lindsay was ahead 3 - 0. Just minutes to go in the second period, Jason hustled down centre ice and banged in an unassisted goal. Haliburton had more determination now to come back, the score getting closer. In the third period, Jason did a replay of his last goal and Jeff Packard fired two more beautiful goals past Lindsay with assists going to the hard work and determination of Corey Poole and Joel Johnson. Haliburton had earned the win and would play Wilberforce for the consolation side championship.

After a short rest this was definitely the more exciting game of the three. The teams were very evenly matched. Our defence came through big the whole game. Alex Frybort was exceptional in net and the wingers were steadily passing throughout the game making plays end for end. Joel Johnson with his

lucky stick started Haliburton off halfway into the first period. The Huskies scored again in the second with a nice neat pass from Corey to Jason and a well placed goal. Wilberforce got on the board coming back with two fast ones. Alex came up big the whole game and the Huskies had many opportunities to score but just couldn't get another past Wilberforce until Jason grabbed the puck, skated down the ice, fooling Wilberforce, deking the netminder and putting Haliburton ahead. The fans cheered wildly. It looked like our game but with just 56 seconds left Wilberforce tied it up once again. The buzzer ended the game. We were on a 3 on 3 overtime. The coach put out Kyle, Jason and Adam. The whistle blew but despite the boys' fine efforts they were not able to stop Wilberforce from scoring. It was a hard fought game.

The boys were superb, both offensively and defensively, game MVP going to Jason Chambers. Congratulations boys..

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Team effort pays off for OMHA PeeWees

by LAURIE CURRY

The Haliburton Husky PeeWees had a very busy weekend playing three games.

Friday night in Cannington was a great team effort with a big win for Haliburton, 8 - 1.

Goal scorers for the Huskies were Jason Woodcox, assisted by Ryan Wood and Jamie Johnston; Ryan Kirkpatrick, assisted by Nick Cochrane; Nick Cochrane, unassisted; Jason Woodcox, assisted by Logan Roberts; Adam

Henry, assisted by Nick Cochrane; Adam Henry, assisted by Ryan Wood; Danny Koz, unassisted; and Scot Curry, assisted by Jason Woodcox.

Saturday afternoon the PeeWees had a home game against Beaverton. It was another big win for the Huskies, 5 - 0.

Scorers were Jamie Luck, assisted by Ryan Wood; Jeff Wilson, assisted by Danny Koz and Shane Campbell; Jeff Wilson, unassisted; Jason Woodcox, assisted by Jamie Luck; and

Danny Koz, assisted by Logan Roberts and Shane Campbell.

An awesome job was done by netminder Brian Mulholland, getting a shutout.

Sunday night brought the boys to Beaverton. The Huskies ended up with a tied game, 3 - 3. Scorers were Scot Curry, assisted by Ryan Wood and Jason Woodcox; Bobby Hebert, assisted by Ryan Wood; and Shane Campbell, unassisted.

The Huskies also had a game on Tuesday night against Woodville. Adam Wilson was in the net stop-

ping all the shots against him. The point was solid in not letting the puck past them. The Huskies won the game 3 - 0.

The scorers for the team were Nick Cochrane, assisted by Adam Henry and Jamie Johnston; Scot Curry, assisted by Ryan Wood and Jason Woodcox; and Ryan Wood, assisted by Danny Koz.

The Haliburton OMHA PeeWees and coaching staff would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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Hustle and teamwork create ongoing success for Novice Bs

by GINNY HEMING

The Haliburton Novice B's will be minus one team member until nearly playoff time. Shawn Heming fractured his ankle in the school yard last Tuesday, forcing him to sit in the stands. Travis Burke has been moved to left wing to replace Shawn; therefore Justin Abbs, Nick Chumbley, and Josh Fick are working overtime as an awesome defensive trio.

On Wednesday December 13th, the Huskies faced off against the Wilberforce Rockets in one of the best games of the season. The Rockets came out all fired up and the game started with end to end hustle before Kyle Espie put the Huskies on the score board. Wilberforce tied the game before the Huskies fired another one into the Rocket net. Then, in a sudden blast of Rocket power, Wilberforce scored again only 18 seconds later to make it 2-2. Exhilarating!! The Huskies scored twice more before it was to be the Rockets' game as they out shot and almost out scrambled the Huskies. In the third period Haliburton picked up two penalties. Fortunately (for the Huskies), proficient penalty killing and great goaltending resulted in shutting down whatever chances the Rockets may have had. Haliburton won 4-2.

A big thanks to all Husky players for their hustle and determination, but especially to

goaltender Jeff McKenna who faced 23 shots, only allowing 2 pucks in the net. Haliburton points were picked up by: Adam Trueman, 2 goals; Kyle Espie and Jonathan Sharpley, 1 goal and 1 assist each; Justin Abbs and Travis Burke, 2 assists each; and, Calvin Roswell and Nick Judge, 1 assist each. Thanks to Josh Fick and Nick Chumbley who also contributed.

The game on December 16th against Cannington started at a fast pace and stayed at this level. The Huskies eventually found their game, scoring four goals, while Cannington bounced back to score three.

At 40 seconds into the third period, Haliburton scored to go ahead by two, and never slowed down. Huskies scored two more goals, while Cannington scored only one. The score was 7-4 for Haliburton.

The Huskies are getting better at poke checking and back checking. They are also becoming more determined to be first to the puck, and this is paying off as Haliburton has just won their 15th straight game. Haliburton goals were scored by: Nick Judge with 3; Jonathan Sharpley with 2; and, Calvin Roswell and Adam Trueman with singles. The playmakers who assisted are: Nick Chumbley and Kyle Espie with 2 each; and, Justin Abbs, Roswell, Trueman, and Sharpley with 1 each. Travis Burke & Josh Fick were also instrumental.



HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES: A Novice B Husky scores a goal in last Saturday's game against Cannington. The final score was 7-4 for Haliburton.

OMHA "Dirty Dozen" Atoms win duel of dastardly deeds

by JIM CHALMERS

Lately the OMHA Atoms are finding "life at the top" to be a trying experience. Friday night at the Dysart arena was no exception as they hung on for a 4 - 3 'split-decision' over a Kamikaze group from Fenelon.

The Huskies got offensive punch from an unexpected source early on. Matt Gerry played a great game. He outraced a Flyer defenceman for a long pass from Darren Kirkpatrick and then gave the

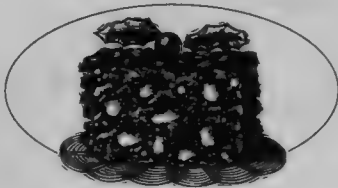
Huskies their second goal on a good shot from the slot. Warren Cooper duplicated the feat in between run-ins with Flyer antagonists to give the Huskies a 4 - 2 lead at the midway point. It would not have been enough for the win without some exceptional goaltending by Andrew Sachs and Ryan Chalmers.

The Flyer strategy was the zero in on ace players Jeff Wilson and Warren Cooper, and for the most part, the harassment worked. Wilson was well off his game and did a lot of time for

retaliation. Self control and discipline will be a factor if the Huskies hope to counter "the tactics" of less talented clubs.

On Sunday, the simmering Huskies were off to Beaverton. Fortunately, the Atoms checked their tempers at the door and got a reasonably well officiated game in a 7 - 1 victory. It was deuces all around for Jeff Wilson (back on track), Warren Cooper and Travis Bain. Matt Gerry added a single in a well played Husky game. We can all relax...for the moment.

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Change in teams see Novice Cs Huskies facing tough new competition

by DAN MACMILLAN

There has been a realignment of the Novice C division of Tri-County. Some of the weaker teams have been moved down to the Tyke level and Novice B teams have been inserted to make a hybrid Novice C division and the Huskies are smack, right in the middle of it. The result is, most other teams are stronger and bigger and the competition is a lot stiffer as witnessed when Haliburton travelled to Little Britain on Sunday and came away on the short end of a 3 to 2 score.

On Monday the Huskies travelled to Bobcaygeon to play the Cougars. For this game Cody Hodgson came up from the Tykes to give us a hand and he was sensational. After dropping behind 3 to 0, the Huskies got on the board when Jeff Burk set up Adam Sisson. Bobcaygeon made it 4 to 1 before Adam scored again, this time from Jade MacInnes and Connor MacMillan. The Cougars scored two more before Dylan Metcalfe scored unassisted to make the final 6 to 3 for Bobcaygeon. Josh Mayhew put on a clinic in net and tandemed with Jeff Burk, our goalies certainly display a lot of courage. It can be a challenging job at times and they are to be complimented on their character.

On Wednesday the Huskies hosted their old rivals, the Minden Monarchs. Recently moved down from the B division, the Monarchs were quick to show what they have learned, running out to a 5 to 0 lead before Adam Sisson scored an unassisted goal early in the second period. Minden scored again but Adam made it 6 to 2 on a

goal set up by Jenny Perrott. Minden scored twice more to wrap it up at 8 to 2. Jeff Burk played a solid game in net showing his leadership capabilities repeatedly.

On Saturday the Huskies played host to Ops, another transplanted Novice B team and it was a high scoring affair. The Flames jumped out to a 2 to 0 lead before Dylan Metcalfe responded for Haliburton with the assist going to Jeff Griffin. Ops replied with a goal but Adam Sisson pounded in two unassisted goals to tie it at 3. In the second the Flames scored a couple of quick goals to go ahead again before Adam snagged his hat trick on a setup from Jade MacInnes. Dylan then tied it up again when he slapped one in from Clayton Hodgson. Ops then scored three unanswered goals to power their way to an 8 to 5 win. The Huskies played their hearts out, they clawed their way back twice to tie it but Ops were just too much for them in the final minutes of the game.

As a team the Novice Cs seem to be struggling to adjust to playing bigger, stronger teams and because of the realignment they have gone from being ranked near the top of the division to being not sure where they're ranked. This is a team made up of 7-year-olds who are playing kids who are 8 and 9 years old. You expect older kids to be further advanced in strength and experience. Losing a few games in a row is disappointing but I know these kids. They may be a little disappointed but they're far from being discouraged. They're a fun bunch of kids and hockey is also about having fun.

Novice As streamroll Sunderland in 11-3 win

by WALTER TOSE

On Wednesday, Dec. 20th the Novice A Huskies played at home against the Sunderland Red Wings. It took the Huskies a couple of periods to get going in what proved to be a very rough game, but they really got their offence in gear for this one and steamrolled Sunderland 11-3. The game was marred by a lot of unnecessary roughness on both sides. The game ended with Sunderland's captain being ejected for high sticking and fighting. Hardly appropriate for Novice hockey! Let's hope referees take measures to eliminate this nonsense.

This victory was another excellent overall team effort as the Huskies showed their usual hustle and determination. Matthew Roberts opened up the scoring for the Huskies on a superb passing play from Jesse Johnson and Adrian Winn. Sunderland fought back to tie the game midway through the second period, and then Haliburton began the rout. The Huskies scored 4 goals in 5 minutes to open up a 5-1 lead and never looked back. Adam Hutson notched the second Husky goal on an outstanding rush up the ice and perfect shot to the top right corner. Credit Adrian Winn and Andy Dawson with the assists. Then Ross Gerry and Brandon Bowman scored goals in quick succession with help from their linemate Josh Brown. Jesse Johnson scored the Huskies' fifth goal early in the third period on assists from his linemates, Matthew Roberts and Adam Hutson.

In the third period, the forward line of Ross Gerry, Josh Brown and Brandon Bowman stepped up their forechecking game and really began to put their passing game together. With the help of their defensive linemates, Daniel Jung and Terry

Bannon, they blasted the game wide open. Brandon added 4 more goals on some superb feeds from his linemates, while Josh and Ross added one more each. Ross had 4 of the assists on these goals, Daniel had 3 assists and Josh and Brandon added single assists. Terry Bannon had 2 assists on these third period goals, including a sensational end-to-end rush and pass near the end of the game to set up Brandon for the final goal of the game. Meanwhile the line of Matthew Roberts, Jesse Johnson and Adrian Winn, along with their defensive duo of Andy Dawson and Adam Hutson, continued to play a strong defensive game to minimize Sunderland's offensive threat. Goaltender Jeremy Moynes didn't see much action and made solid saves when tested. Final score: Haliburton 11 Sunderland 3. Congratulations boys on another excellent team effort!

On Sunday Dec. 17th the Novice As hosted Beaverton. Head coach Jim Winn had decided to try a major line shuffle for this crucial game and it definitely paid off. The Novice A's played one of their finest games of the season, showing a renewed sense of purpose and improved play all around. The coaches had been emphasizing smart passing and aggressive forechecking in practices, along with a strong system of defensive play for bringing the puck out of their own end. Finally it all seems to be coming together.

Beaverton played very aggressively to the very end of the game. However, Huskies combined some excellent passing with their usual hustle and tenacity. Score: Haliburton 7 Beaverton 4.

Jesse Johnson, Josh Brown, Terry Bannon, Brandon Bowman, Andy Dawson, Ross Gerry and Adam Hutson played exceptionally well in this 7-4 victory.



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Welcome!****Atoms win two before
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against Huntsville**

by DAVE BROWN

In between storms the 2nd entry Atom Huskies were off to Sunderland.

Less than a minute into the first period, the Wings took a one-goal lead. Haliburton showed some good forechecking initially with Joey Sisson feeding Shawn MacInnes for the equalizer. The Huskies missed several other two on ones and breakaways before the end of the first period but no goals. With only 27 seconds left in the period the Wings scored their second goal which was to be the game winner.

The second period was quiet with the edge going to Sunderland. Early in the third the Huskies had a two-man advantage and failed to capitalize on the opportunity. To add insult to injury, the Wings managed to score a short-handed goal ending the game winning 3 - 1.

On Saturday, Port Perry arrived in Haliburton. Haliburton's aggressive forechecking paid off with Shawn MacInnes setting up Ryan Goldenberg whose screen shot snared the corner of the net. A couple minutes later, Garrett Pocket laid down a perfect pass to send Justin Sharpley in the clear scoring Huskies' second. Haliburton dominated the period, both offensively and defensively. With two minutes left in the first, Justin won the draw putting it back to Adam

Tomlinson who scored on a nice shot from the point.

The momentum shifted to Port Perry in the second. They popped in a goal while the Cat was screened by their forwards.

Haliburton flipped back into high gear in the third. Adam Tomlinson scored his second and shortly after, Joey Sisson and Adam Tomlinson set up Ryan Goldenberg. With 1:23 left Ryan put the game away, giving him the hat trick and the Huskies a 5 - 2 win.

Sunday found the team in Baysville to meet the Huntsville Selects. This proved to be an exciting evenly matched game. Matt Brown put the Huskies ahead; Jeremy Miscio and Justin Sharpley assisted. Haliburton's lead lasted for only three minutes with Huntsville scoring the first of two answering goals.

The Huskies kept coming at the Selects in the third. Ryan Goldenberg followed up on a Shawn MacInnis rush and scored from the middle of another goal front scramble. Huntsville pulled ahead when the Huskies ran into difficulties clearing their zone. Haliburton kept the pressure on the Huntsville team but could not find the equalizer and the game ended up with Huntsville winning by one, (3 - 2).

Penalties were the name of the game. Both teams played the equivalent of a full period short-handed.

**Municipality of
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, January 15th, 1996, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of the road allowance for the West Settlement Road located in Part of Lot 1, Concession II in the Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton. **WHICH SAID PARCEL** or tract of land is illustrated and shown as Part 3 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by C.T. Strongman, Ontario Land Surveyor, and dated October 31, 1995, being available for inspection of the Planning Administrator at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

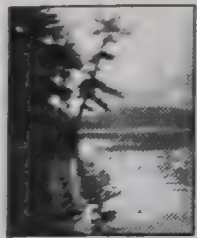
ALTERNATE ACCESS will be provided by the conveyance of Part 1 on the said preliminary plan to the Municipality for road purposes.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review at the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 1st day of December, 1995.

Patricia E. Martin
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Planning Administrator



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KING FOR A DAY

Timothy Heming chosen as one of 12 Ontario Junior Citizens

by **MARTHA PERKINS**
Editor

Faced with spina bifida since he was born, and numerous other physical challenges in the 12 years since then, Timothy Heming is one of those people who spreads only goodness to those around him.

In testimonial after testimonial, his family, friends and former teachers at Archie Stouffer Elementary School talk glowingly and with admiration of this young boy whose spirit and unflagging joy in life make them pause to reflect on their own lives.

In recognition of this spirit, Timothy has been chosen as one of this year's 12 Ontario Junior Citizens of the Year.

The award, sponsored by the Ontario Community Newspaper Association, was sparked by Timothy's neighbour, Sheri Hawkins, who felt compelled to have him nominated. The Minden Times, which was the sponsoring paper, then received a dozen supporting nominations. Echo publisher Len Pizzezy was one of the judges, and Timothy and his family will be feted by the OCNA and Bell at a special ceremony in March. Presenting the award will be Lieutenant Governor Hal Jackman.

Timothy recently moved from the Minden area to Huntsville with his parents, Rob and Laura, and siblings Kate and Jesse, after Rob Heming's job as manager of Bark Lake Leadership Centre came to an end (along with the centre.)

In her nomination form, Mrs. Heming says "It has been said many times that Tim's life is a miracle. His will to live is incredibly strong. At birth we found that

he had spina bifida and hydrocephalus (fluid on the brain.) Later on we discovered he had a life-threatening brain deformity called Arnold Chiari Malformation [which was operated on last year. Surgeons discovered that half his brain was in his neck, making it difficult for him to swallow and resulting in neck and throat spasms.] He got so thin last year that his skin started to break down where the bones were poking through. We had a gastric tube put in this summer. He gets fed by machine 100cc/hour for 12 hours overnight. He accepts this with great dignity. We recently found out that he has a syringomyelia in his mid back which is making pressure on his spinal cord. He is paralyzed from the chest down and only has full use of his left hand. He is scheduled for spinal reconstructive surgery in January."

Tim has always found ways to get involved in home life, as well as activities in school and in the community. All the teachers at ASES signed a nomination talking of the fine qualities which have earned him the respect and friendship of students and staff alike. One of his educational assistants, Susan Payne, says "Tim has a great concern for everyone... I have been ill myself for the past month and this caring little boy calls me to see how I'm feeling and to tell me he misses me. He ends our phone call with a big kiss and the words I love you. Not many children can pull on your heart strings like that."

"He has shown the children in our school that it does not matter if you are handicapped or not. To reach your goals is important whether in sports or acad-



FIT FOR A KING: A few months ago, Timothy Heming and a group of local children posed for the photographs in Mary Wallace's latest book, "I Can Make Costumes." Tim is the King in the doorway of a castle (made from freezer boxes from Newbatts in Haliburton.) Clockwise from Tim are Jennifer Carpenter, Nicky Wallace, Sean Keaney, Jesse Heming, Aaron Keaney and Becky Wallace.

mics. He has a strong will and a good sense of humour. Anyone who has met Tim knows he touches you in the heart. He has such a special spark about him," writes another E.A., Jennifer McCrea.

Family friend Lyse Cazabon-Keaney says "I found Tim to be immediately disarming. Tim has a natural ability to put one at ease. He does not permit one moment of pity or awkwardness... Tim has touched and taught many who know him that our life is to be celebrated and appreciated in whatever form it comes to us."

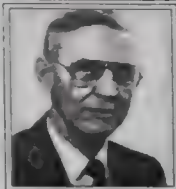
"When I first met Tim" writes Mary Wallace, "I mostly saw all of his handicaps and the overwhelming challenges he had to face. Now when I see Tim I see a beautiful child living a rich and grace-

ful life. He has met life head on; tackling and surmounting seemingly impossible odds, medically, to make his mark on those people who have the immense pleasure of meeting him..."

"Perhaps what strikes me most about Tim is his strength and courage. He knows that he can do anything he sets his mind to. It is therefore with strength and pride that he meets life's daily challenges. He accepts the special trials reserved for him and overcomes them."

One of the most touching nominations comes from Tim's friend, Dustin Howard, who says "I think Tim should get this award because he tries to do things that are hard for him to do. He does not feel sorry for himself when he

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Tim's gift is shared

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can't do it. I enjoy being Tim's friend because he is very special because he likes me for who I am and I like him for who he is. He is always doing nice things for other people."

"He would be a terrific manager for the Blue Jays," says Tim's grandmother, Ruth Thuot, who admires his superior courage and tenacity. "Tim is doubly remarkable when we remember the first hours and days following his birth. The prognosis was almost nil - we were told he'd be blind and deaf along with his spina bifida. Tim has proven through his tremendous courage how wrong they were."

It's quite something to hear such words of praise and admi-

ration, especially for someone so young. At first, Tim was a bit taken aback when he read through the nominations.

"I tell him he's special, that he's doing what he's here to do, but that's just his mom talking," his mother said in a telephone interview, the cacophony of a busy family life in the background. "To have this happen is really neat."

From an early age, she says, Tim has always been a teacher and children have responded enthusiastically. In his new school, students take turns playing with him at lunch and there's never a shortage of friends.

This doesn't mean Tim is happy about having to face so many challenges. "He'd trade his wheelchair any day for legs

that could run," Mrs. Heming says. "He talks about how hard it is and he gets angry."

She remembers when doctors sent Tim home from hospital when he was one year old, basically expecting him not to survive much longer. "The doctor said the living was harder than the dying."

But with Tim's spirit and his parents willingness to try a combination of traditional and naturopathic medicines (through Gordon Smith in Carnarvon), Tim not only survived, he became an example to all those around him.

"People have felt drawn to him, just because of this love that exudes from him," Mrs. Heming says. "That is just his gift and who he is."

Gooderham Brownies and Haliburton teenager nominated as exemplary junior citizens

The Haliburton County Echo also received two nominations for Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year.

One was from Pam Manley, who nominated the 1st Gooderham Brownies, of which she is a leader. She commends the girls for working on making their community a better place and taking on large responsibility to make that happen. They plant flowers and pick up litter to beautify the area.

"They have shown the town that they care about the environment," Manley writes. "Being a Brownie, they all know it comes with responsibilities. Anything they do, they do their best. They help other people, including those at home. All of the girls are assets to their families."

Glamorgan Reeve Elva Bates supported the nomination saying "the girls demonstrate poise, responsibility, cooperation, care for others and community awareness and pride, in many instances beyond their years. These attributes will serve them well in the 21st Century... They are good ambassadors for the county."

Bill Gliddon nominated Haliburton teenager Matthew Burk for the award. He writes "Matthew has enthusiastically

volunteered his time and talents to assist in a weekly dramatic performance of a historical skit at St. George's church - a highlight of the Heritage Walk... Matthew's constant and dedicated participation throughout these years has been indispensable. He has done this because of the love and care he has for his family church and community, and his interest and desire to help in preserving and passing on the history of our early settlement of Haliburton....

"The impact of Matthew's ability to lead by example is and has been very powerful. He has a mind of his own, but expresses this in a positive and friendly way. Older citizens respect him because he shows respect to them. He and his brother are both very involved in hockey, where their style is highlighted by skill, teamwork and gentlemanly behaviour off and on the ice. All of this influences Matthew's friends and peers positively."

The Echo is proud to be the sponsoring newspaper for the nominations and joins the salute of these fine young people in our community. The Gooderham Brownies and Matthew will be presented with certificates acknowledging their dedicated efforts to their community.

Centre packed for concert

GOODERHAM

News

Anne Costeloe

447-2400

The Gooderham Elementary School Christmas Concert was December 19. The Community Centre was packed, with late-comers having to stand! The theme of the evening was "Christmas through the ages." All the children, from the tiny Junior Kindergartners to the worldly wise Grade 6's, delighted their audience.

The school staff entered the spirit of things by singing a song - until they were literally swept off their feet by our custodian, Terry Stoughton! Santa's helper, Steven Smith, dropped in, after the evenings' performances. While the children visited with Santa, the Gooderham Girl Guides served both the delicious Girl Guide chocolate mint and traditional Girl Guide cookies, as well as cookies they had made themselves.

Principal, Mrs. Lewis, and the children appreciated the Recreation Committee's generous donation of \$50 which helped to provide Santa's treats.

On Sunday, December 17, the Pentecostal Church Sunday School class dramatized the Christmas story. Young Sharyl Steel, literally stole the show (and the microphone) and sang

"Ring those bells, it's Jesus' birthday". Leila Blakey and Kelly Pettit sang a duet. The youngsters all enjoyed the Christmas stockings and refreshments.

The churches in Gooderham will all be holding services over the Christmas weekend. The Gooderham Pentecostal Church will be holding a Christmas Eve service at 8 p.m. The Gooderham Reformed Church will be holding a service on Christmas eve, at 9:45 a.m. This is the usual time for their Sunday service. The Reformed Church meets at the Community Centre. The Gooderham United Church will also be holding a service on Christmas Eve, at the usual Sunday service time of 10 a.m.

The Gooderham Seniors Club has organized a Family Free Skate on Friday, December 29. This will be at the Wilberforce arena, between 7:30 and 8:30. Hot drinks will be provided. Everyone welcome.

The Saturday Youth Sports Night, sponsored by the Recreation Committee, will be holding a New Years Youth Disco Dance

on Saturday, December 30, from 6:30 till 9:30. This is for youth from the age of 7 years and up. The disc jockey will be Paddy Taylor.

The Recreation Committee is sponsoring a New Years dance, at the Community Centre on New Years Eve (9 through 1). The live band will be "C.W.R." Tickets may be obtained in advance from Barr's General Store, at \$20 per couple, or at the door for \$25 per couple/\$15 single. The dance is licensed.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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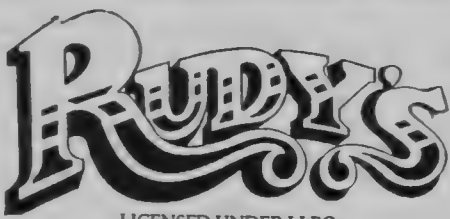
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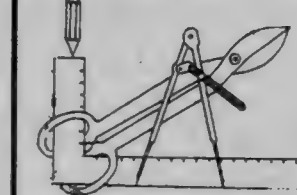
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News

Barb Fryer

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On Monday we added two new volunteers to our family, Doug and Lorna Burtch. Doug is a real hit with the Fun & Fitness crowd and Lorna has become a friendly visitor.

Tuesday we had Bible Study with Betty Salvatori. In the afternoon residents held bingo with the help of volunteers.

Wednesday, Donna visited with her box of Trivia. How the residents enjoy tantalizing her

with their answers.

Thursday afternoon three Grade 1 classes walked over in the heavy snow storm to entertain the residents with Christmas carols, under the leadership of Tose Reid. It is the children who bring Christmas into the home. The parents of these youngsters should be proud of them. They sang so well and were delightful.

In the evening Ron Bacon drove the Dymo, taking us on a tour to see the Christmas lights. We drove up into the driveway of Tom Nunn to see his carousel of lights. It looked like a winter wonderland. The lady of the house got on the bus and offered favours to everyone. Then we drove to Rip's. Charlotte and her staff served a delicious meal and topped it off with Christmas bags for all. Thank you for your generosity Charlotte.



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On Sunday we held our annual Country Christmas. A standing room only group of residents and family were blessed by the songs of In Harmony group. Our eyes and tummies were

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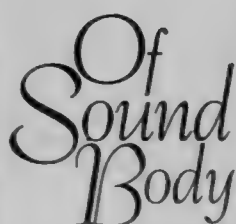
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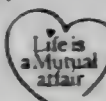


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Speaking to a capacity crowd of parents and

guests, Capt. Brodhagen said the days of receiving promotions for lacklustre efforts and borderline performance were over. All cadets, before being considered for the more senior ranks, undergo a probation period in that position to be further evaluated by the officers on their performance.

"Where you are now, doesn't automatically slot you for the next rank. Look over your shoulder, there may be the future Cadet Regimental Sergeant Major behind you."

Captain Brodhagen is quick to point out that although promotions are a nice measuring stick for

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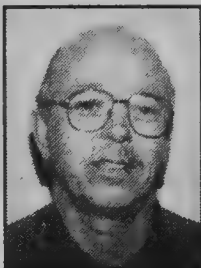
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The Wilberforce school concert put everyone in the proper spirit and had the audience smiling

Wilberforce children a delight at concert

by HILDA CLARK

The Christmas Carol Service held on Sunday evening, December 17 at the South Wilberforce United Church was truly a gathering of the community. A fine crowd was welcomed to this joyful service by Bob McMath. Bob arranged and led this year's service of carols and lessons. Elsie Lewis, organist at St. Margaret's brought together and led a large choir of singers from the local community and churches.

As they lit the Advent candles, Cindy Ablett, Elsie Lewis and Jan Watson spoke of how the candles symbolized hope, peace and joy. White gifts were brought for blessing and have been sent to the 4C's.

The people enjoyed singing many favourite carols and the choir presented several lovely pieces. A

choir of Girl Guides, Sparks and Brownies was joined by their leaders.

Lessons, telling the story of the birth of Jesus, were read by Myrtle Weedmark, June Williams, Father Ron Meyer of St. John Vianney Roman Catholic Church and Rev. Christopher Greaves of St. Margaret's Anglican Church. Following prayers and the Benediction by Mr. McMath, the service ended with the lighting of candles by all present during the recessional hymn "Silent Night".

Another wonderful gathering this past week was the Christmas Concert presented by the Wilberforce Elementary School at the Lloyd Watson Centre. The Monmouth Senior Citizens Club is the official host of this event, arranging with busy Santa Claus to arrive at the end of the program with

treats for the children.

The Kindergarten students were delightful in The Christmas Story and Away in a Manger. All kinds of sea creatures appeared in the Grade 2/3 act. A well rehearsed group of Highland Dancers under the direction of student Jessica Swan entertained to lively music. The Grade 4/5 children had researched how Christmas is celebrated in countries around the world. The Grade 5/6 class gave a medley of recitations. The Recorder Choir played several seasonal pieces really very well. One definite crowd pleaser was "Off to Bed We Go" which saw the little ones in Grade 1/2 dressed in all manner of night shirts, gowns and caps. These rosy-cheeked children had more than sugar plums dancing in their heads. Congratulations, children, on a very pleasant afternoon.

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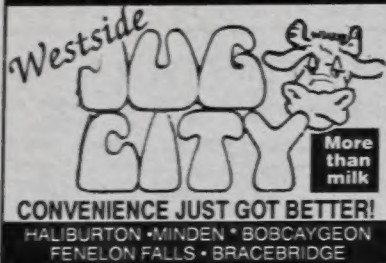
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borough Civic Hospital, weigh-
ing 7 lbs., 7 oz. Proud grand-
parents are George and Gerri
Waugh and Bob and Gale
Anderson, all from Wilberforce.

390 DEATH NOTICES

AS WE ALL JOURNEY
through this life, few of us are
fortunate enough to be touched
by someone with greatness,
someone like my father, James
Boyd.
I will carry his memory with me
for the rest of my life. I can see
a piece of him in each of my chil-
dren; Shannon's wonderful
sense of humour and zest for
life, Caitlin's gentleness and car-
ing for others, and Dylan's bold
and intuitive nature.
Finally, I would like to thank my
dear, dear friend and sister-in-
law, Sandra Boyd, for her lov-
ing care for Dad these past sev-
eral months. When he was
ready to leave this life and move
onto the next, she was beside
him, holding his hand and I love
her dearly for that. Thank you
Sandra.
Hello Dad, I can feel your pres-
ence - I love you. Your daugh-
ter, Elizabeth Friend.

BOYD, JAMES CAMERON: At
his residence on Wednesday,
December 20, 1995. Beloved
husband of Joan Trumper. Lov-
ing father of Jeffrey, Martha,
Elizabeth and Joel. Fondly re-
membered by seven grandchil-
dren. Dear brother of William,
Donald, Rhoda, Marjorie,
Della. Predeceased by his sis-
ter Jean. At Jim's request there
will be no visitation or Funeral
Service. As expressions of sym-
pathy donations to the Haliburton
Hospital Auxiliary would be
appreciated by the family. Fu-
neral arrangements have been
entrusted to the HALIBURTON
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Ontario (705) 457-9209. CA

HENRY, MARION: (Former
owner of Halimar Lodge). At
Hastings Manor in Belleville on
Sunday evening, Dec. 17, 1995
in her 80th year. Beloved wife
of the late Bruce Henry. Beloved
daughter of the late Harold and
Lillian Clarke. Loving mother of
Arthur Henry and Joanne of
Belleville, Pat Henry and her
husband David Zackon of
Ottawa and Cassandra
Wyszkowski and her husband
Charles of Lindsay. Dear sister
of Winnifred Garrett of Oxford
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Shane of Gravenhurst. Loved
by all her grandchildren. Friends
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December 19, 1995 from 7 - 9
p.m. Funeral and Committal
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George's Anglican Church, Hal-
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noon at 1:30 o'clock. Spring in-
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ing memory of a dear husband,
Dad and Grandpa who passed
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Forgetting you never.
Lovingly remembered by Millie
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400 IN MEMORIAM

DUNCAN, EDWARD - In lov-
ing memory of my beloved hus-
band, Ted, who passed away
December 30, 1994.
My heart still aches in sadness
And secret tears still flow
What it meant to lose you
No one will ever know.
When the days are sad and
lonely
And everything goes wrong
I seem to hear you whisper
Cheer up and carry on.
Each time I see your picture
You seem to smile and say
'Don't worry I'm only resting,
We'll meet again some day.'
Dearly remembered by Carol,
children and grandchildren.

JOHNSON, EDITH - In loving
memory of a dear mother,
grandmother and great grand-
mother who passed away De-
cember 25, 1994.
Wonderful memories
Woven in gold,
This is a picture we tenderly
hold.
Deep in our hearts, a memory
is kept,
To love, to cherish, never to for-
get.
Forever loved and remem-
bered, Leonard, Shirley and
family.

EDITH E JOHNSON

Left to be with our Lord
on December 25, 1994



Though her smile is gone forever
And her hand we cannot touch
Still we have so many memories
Of the one we loved so much.
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Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

The Christmas message was brought most convincingly and happily to the fore on Sunday, December 16 at the West Guilford Baptist Church when with voice, flute, guitar, organ and piano/keyboard, the Baptist community of believers presented their annual program. Linda and the Rev. Paul Benson sang, read and led congregational singing. Sarah Hutchinson played flute and sang with choir of about 20, Richard Fielding gave a convincing rendition of The Innkeeper, and the evening ended with a meditation on the cross and the Christmas tree followed by a tape of The Hallelujah Chorus for which we all stood, and I'm sure rejoiced over. The inevitable delicious lunch of goodies was offered and duly appreciated by the large attendance.

At what ought to be a joyous season everywhere, notes of sympathy have to be extended. The Jowett family has just lost hus-

band and father in the person of Ralph Jowett and the sympathy of the community goes out to all concerned, as it does indeed to Lou Vesh whose brother died suddenly in Thunder Bay, a week ago. We trust that the families concerned will be supported by love and comfort of family members.

A baby shower was held for Judy Sanderson at the neighbouring Robb's on the afternoon of December 17. The small guest of honour was given lovely and useful gifts at this, the season of giving, and all present enjoyed the occasion.

The Bert Cowens are expecting the Stamps: Bill, Kendra, Billy-Jo and Danielle, home from the States for Christmas.

St. Andrew's Church Women's annual Christmas meeting took place on Tuesday, December 19 in the evening at the church. Several guests joined us for the special time of music, friendship and gift exchange.

Looking ahead: West Guilford Baptist ladies invite you, one and all, to LIFT at their church on January 4 at 7:30. Soloist is Pam Bryant and speaker, June Devolin.

HALIBURTON COUNTY Community Events

December 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

West Guilford Community Centre, DJ, For tickets call 754-2057, ask for May, \$12.50 per person

January 6 - February 3 Saturdays only
COMPLIMENTARY HOMEMADE SOUP & HOMEMADE BUN for snowmobilers and cross country skiers. Lochaven Inn Northshore Rd. 12:30-2:00pm. A donation to the 4C's would be appreciated.

CHRISTMAS TREES

For sale by Haliburton Lions Club at these locations: Haliburton Lumber, Shamrock Shell Station, West Guilford Store \$20. All proceeds go to community projects.

DONATIONS TO 4C'S

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Monday January 1, 1996 Closed